CITY OF EAU CLAIRE

Parks, Recreation and Forestry Department Annual Report







2009







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The City of Eau Claire Parks, Recreation and Forestry Department is proud to present the Department's 2009 Annual Report. This report is designed to provide a short synopsis of the myriad of programs and services we offer and the facilities we maintain. The individuals mentioned in this report, along with thousands of volunteers, have endeavored to provide high quality programs, services and facilities.

Even though less resources are available to local government each year, operational changes and efficiencies have been implemented so that we can continue to make quality parks, recreation and forestry services available to the community.

We invite you to become involved in your community parks by registering for a recreation program, visiting a local park, participating in a park master planning process or serving a term on the Waterways and Parks Commission.

Sincerely,

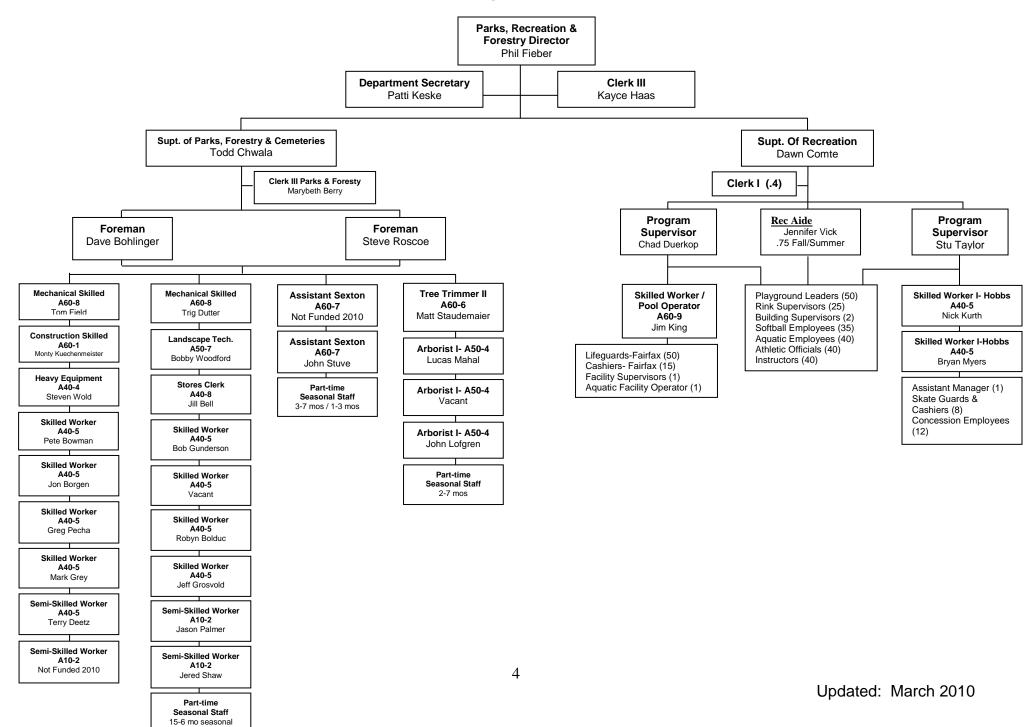
Phil Fieber, CPRP

Cc: Waterways and Parks Commission members

City Council City Manager

City Department Heads

Parks, Recreation and Forestry Department Department Organizational Chart





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Half Moon Lake Task Force Implementation Committee: The group met for the third time in 2009 – on November 9, 2009, to update progress on the 2002 HML Task Force Recommendations. Significant progress has been made by the community to clean up HML. Dan Zerr of the UW Extension is the facilitator for the meetings. Bill James reported that his estimate for alum treatment will cost \$350,000, with federal grants expected to cover approximately \$200,000 of the cost. The City will apply for a grant for the balance, in May 2010. The alum treatment could take place in 2011. Herbicide treatments for curlyleaf pondweed will continue in 2010. Eurasian Milfoil was virtually eliminated during the 2009 treatment. The next quarterly meeting is Monday, February 16, 2010, from 3-5 PM the Parks and Recreation Community Center.

Northwood's/Express Baseball: Summaries:

Year	Ave Game Attendance	Total Season Attendance
2005	1,600	51,200
2006	2,205	68,360
2007	2,133	72,529
2008	1,667	55,000
2009	1,996	67,861 (33 regular season plus one playoff)

A new five lease with the Express was signed in December 2009.

<u>Department Safety Committee</u>: The monthly Department Employee Safety Committee met December 16, 2009 to review employee and guest safety issues and concerns.

<u>Special Events</u>: The Special Events Committee continues to work with all the groups that conduct events within city parks and meets at least monthly. Park and Special Events Standards have been compiled and were communicated to the community. These standards clarify appropriate uses for our parks and should assist special event organizers. The Department coordinates over 65 special events annually. Special Events, beginning in 2010, will be required to provide recycling plans and emergency action plans for their events.

<u>Baseball History/Memorabilia Committee</u>: Approximately \$60,000 has been raised to date for the project estimated to cost \$175,000. The Committee has installed seven bronze plaques – Bezanson, White, EC Little League Founders, Vic Johnson, Tom Poquette, Glenn St Arnault and Harv Tomter. Bert Blyleven, former Minnesota Twin pitcher, will be the featured speaker for the February 1, 2010 banquet. Andy Pafko is the next member of the Hall of Fame and has been invited to attend. The 41 Eau Claire natives that made it into the minor leagues of pro baseball will also be recognized on a single plaque.

<u>Hobbs Ice Center Capital Projects</u>: The project is moving forward with minimal problems. The project is approximately 75% complete. Federal Stimulus funding has been approved (on October 19, 2009) for Hobbs and includes low-e ceiling for Akervik and O Brien Rinks and new lighting for Akervik. Also included is a dehumidification system for Akervik.

<u>Fairfax Pool Master Plan</u>: The Pool completed its 19th season in 2009. Water Technology submitted three "concept" plans for proposed improvements to the facility designed to increase revenues and make

the pool financially self-supporting. The plan went to Waterways in May 2009. Public input on the proposal was gathered over the summer. In 2010 the plan will be presented to City Council for review.

Additionally, Fairfax Pool was completely repainted and the slide tower inspected by a structural engineer during fall 2009. The VGB (Virginia Graham Baker Act) compliant grates were purchased in 2009 with an installation set to be completed April 2010.

The Recreation staff is currently researching information about Solar Heating Panels at aquatic centers, product options, and energy rebates. Project specifications will be written and requests for proposals completed by the end of January, 2010. Information will be sent to purchasing in early February for RFP's to be sent out to various vendors.

<u>Summer School Contract</u>: The Recreation Division has City Council approval to enter into a 7th contract for summer school program services with the EC School District and CESA #10.

Recreation Program Brochure: The Prime Times publication of programs and services is no longer mailed directly to each home in the City. A distribution plan has been put in place to distribute through the Eau Claire Area School District and various public locations such as grocery store displays, the library, and Parks and Recreation facilities. A postcard was mailed to all homeowners in March 2009 notifying them of this new procedure. Registrations were not impacted negatively by this change. Fall 2009 registrations were 59% via the internet, up from 41% for Spring/Summer 2009 registrations.

<u>Future Brush Site</u>: The Forestry Division, and the community, waits patiently for a new brush collection site on Jeffers Road. Site development began in November 2009, with a tentative completion date of July 2010. The brush drop off site will be open to county and city residents. Wood chips are available for residential use at the site, but no brush may be dropped off yet. The site is approximately one mile north of the North Crossing on Jeffers Road.

GPS/GIS Forestry Asset Management: The Forestry Department has completed a process to map all park and boulevard trees, by latitude and longitude (GPS) and including that information on the city GIS map system. This system will allow for more efficient use of time by planning and maintenance staff. The Department was awarded a DNR Forestry Grant in 2006 for this purpose. In December of 2008, the Forestry Division, with assistance from Information Services was able to add two computers for field data collection. To date 29,000 street trees have been added to this inventory. Our goal is to have all street trees into the program in 2009, is now complete. Additionally 85% of all park trees have been added to the data base. The tree inventory program is now a web hosted program. This change will eventually allow our department to include much of this community forest and cemetery information to our city web site.

<u>Department Strategic Plan</u>: Parks, Recreation and Forestry staff is implementing the 2006 Department Strategic Plan. The plan is available for review on the City Web site.

Community Parks and Recreation Needs Survey 2006: Decision Resources conducted a telephone survey designed to determine park and recreation program, facility and services in September. The goal was to develop a list of community needs to aid in developing master plans for Northwest and Southeast Community Parks. The survey results are available for review on the City Web site.

Adopt-A-Park/Adopt-A-Flower Bed Volunteer Program Concept: In 2009 over 1000 individuals volunteered during the second year of the Parks Maintenance Division park adoption program. 2010 will be kicked off with the repeat of the "The Amazing Eau Claire Clean-up" in April, as part of Earth Day / Arbor Day. This event will involve cleanup activities throughout the community, with a celebration at Owen Park in the afternoon.

<u>Dog Park Project:</u> Water has been installed at the Southeast Dog Park. The Friends group continues to meet to discuss policies and other operating issues. The Dog Park group is very interested in another site somewhere on the north or west side of Eau Claire. A small dog area is also a priority. Users have also expressed interest in lighting and improved parking areas. Staff will seek assistance from Public Works for parking lot design.

<u>Skate Plaza</u>: The skate plaza group has initiated the fundraising planning stage of their project. Their goal is \$20,400. They have raised \$5,500 to date. Requests for proposals will be forthcoming winter 2010 for this development.

<u>Park and Open Space Plan 2008-2012</u>: The current Park and Open Space Plan (2003-2007) expired on December 31, 2007. The Department has developed a new plan, which was recommended for approval by the Waterways and Parks Commission (February 2008) and the City Council in March 2008. A current plan is required for most local, state and federal grant applications.

Rod and Gun Park: Park Renovation: A final master plan was adopted by the City Council in February 2008. The plans will be added to the City Five Year Park and Open Space Master Plan document. Grant applications, donations and CIP budgeting can now continue. We will apply for DNR funding, for the third time, in 2010.

Mt Simon: Parking Lot and Boat Launch Improvements

Cedar Corporation of Menomonie has been hired to prepare a design for improvements to the main gravel parking lot and new boat launch at Mt Simon Park. The preliminary design has been prepared. Presently the project is on hold and is being reassessed as to if and what the improvements to the Lower Mount Simon Park should include.

Northwest and Otter Creek Community Parks: Master Planning

The planning process for both the Northwest and Southeast Community Park began with tours and two initial meetings. The community was very active in the process. An initial plan for each of the two parks was unveiled to the public, for comment, on July 22, at 6 PM at the Parks and Recreation Community Center. The Waterways and Parks Commission approved the plans in September 2008 and by the City Council on November 25. The plans will be added to the City Five Year Park and Open Space Master Plan document.

Carson Park: Entrance from Menomonie Street: As part of the Rod and Gun Improvement, a master plan for the improving of the 9.16 acres presently used as a Carson Park Maintenance area was included in the planning process. Recent developments with the YMCA have helped to redefine the development options of the area south of the Carson Park Maintenance Facility. Presently a joint parking lot is being considered as well as a buffer area between the new lot and Half Moon Lake. The Parks Maintenance Building was sold to the YMCA and we will need to relocate maintenance operations to another site in Carson Park. A site plan in the area near Gelein field, behind the Paul Bunyan Camp is being developed

per the recommendation of the Waterways and Parks Commission. The Engineering Dept. has been assisting with site development details. The Westburne building has been vacated by the City.

Mt Tom: Landscape Improvements: Improvements to Mt Tom has to be put on hold at this time, the project may be taken up after the new communication tower is constructed.

North Athletic Complex

A site plan for the park/brush site within the park went to the Plan Commission on August 1, 2005 and to City Council on August 9, 2005 and was approved. The County Board approved the agreement in September of 2006. Initial grading was started in November 2009.

Putnam Park Commission

Staff requested the minutes and agendas of the Putnam Park Commission be shared with the City Waterways and Parks Commission as they are received. As of July 20, 2007, we have not received any new materials since 2006.

Emerald Ash Borer

The EAB has been discovered in three Wisconsin counties – Ozaukee, Washington and now Vernon (near La Crosse) County. Our Forestry Division continues to formulate a plan for addressing disease containment, tree removal and replacement for city boulevard and park ash trees. Council accepted a grant from the WI DNR so our City Urban Forestry Management Plan from 1990 can now be updated. A draft of the UF Management Plan will be available in spring 2010

Cemetery Operations

We are exploring consolidating cemetery operations at Forest Hill into one facility at Lakeview Cemetery in order to save operating dollars. Water service at both cemeteries was reduced to single service locations for 2008. In 2009, additional hydrants were located at each cemetery. FYI – the City discontinued watering grass in the cemeteries in 1996. Section L at Lakeview Cemetery is being added to the Cemetery data base maps. In 2010 we hope to have computer connectivity available to our Assistant Sexton to build efficiencies into our operations.

Half Moon Lake:

The WIDNR and the Army Corp of Engineers have asked the City to reduce the amount of weed harvesting in 2008 in order to obtain benchmarks for use in comparing the effectiveness of the proposed 2009 herbicide treatment. High use boat launch and shore fishing areas will be harvested. The City has been awarded a grant for herbicide treatments in 2009, 2010 and 2011. The project cost is \$261,664. The State DNR Grant covers approximately 75% of that. The City and the Army Corp of Engineers- Eau Galle Lab will cover the remaining \$66,600. The ACOE share will be \$39,264 and the City share will be \$27,336. The herbicide treatment has been successful to date. A noticeable amount of CLPW and milfoil weeds are gone. The DNR reports that the milfoil was completely eradicated in the single 2009 treatment.

<u>Soccer Park:</u> Projects and improvements under way include the East/West Trail Development, concession stand, plaza expansion, recognition bricks and enlargement of Field #8. The City has received a financial donation / mutual agreement from AYSO and Soccer United and grading work will begin this fall. Most grading was complete in November 2009, and final grading and seeding will be finished spring 2010

<u>Carson Park: Miscellaneous:</u> Fiber Optic network cable was extended into Carson Park and the stadiums via joint partnership between UWEC and the City, during the fall of 2009. The fiber optic will be available to all park users and will aid in radio, TV and internet transmission of events.

<u>Phoenix Park Play Equipment:</u> The Eau Claire Junior League, a civic volunteer organization, is interested in raising funds to create unique children's play equipment. This project will take a few years to complete.

<u>Recycling</u>: The Department continues to explore a better way to capture recyclables in the parks and during special events. We are trying to determine the best system and equipment for capturing recyclables in the park system. The local Coke distributor is interested in being a player in our project. We will be working with JONAH, a consortium of churches, to advance the recycling effort in the parks and at special events.

<u>Friends of Eau Claire Parks, Recreation and Forestry</u>: The Department is no longer exploring the possibility of creating a "Friends" organization to solicit volunteers and donors to assist in fundraising for department programs and services. The Community Parks Association, Inc. has expanded its scope from park facilities and park acquisitions to now include recreation and park programs, which addresses the needs of the Recreation Division. The group is looking for fundraisers to defray administrative costs such as the annual cost of bonding and an audit. The CPA voted to charge a service charge of 3% beginning January 1, 2010 for all funds received.

Hobbs Municipal Ice Center Operations:

The Ice Center features three (3) indoor sheets of ice and is open year round. The O'Brien and Akervik Rinks are full size (85' x 190'), while the Hughes rink is a smaller rink (56' x 136'). Major renovations took place in 2009 which included converting the Hughes Rink from an outdoor rink to an indoor facility. Locker rooms were added as well as new mezzanine and club viewing areas. The concession area was expanded, a new lobby area was done and expanded restrooms were added. The expansion also included becoming the new home for the Parks, Recreation and Forestry Administrative Offices moving from 1300 First Avenue.

In addition to ice time sales, additional revenue is generated at the Ice Center through open skating and open hockey admissions, skate rental, vending commissions, board advertising sales, room rental, and concession sales.

Average # of Weeks Open

Year	Hours Utilized	O'Brien	Akervick	Hughes
2009	3196	36	32	7
2008	3661	44	34	7
2007	3561	34	32	12
2006	3554	34	31	12
2005	3425	28	38	11

<u>Fairfax Pool</u>: Fairfax Municipal Swimming Pool is a seasonal facility that is open to the public the weekend after Memorial Day through Labor Day. The facility is open 60 hours per week for public recreational swim. The annual "Doggie Swim" event sponsored by Eau Claire Parks, Recreation, and Forestry and the Friends of the Dog Park was held the weekend prior to Labor Day this year as the pool was being painted this fall.

In addition to pass sales, additional revenue is generated at Fairfax Pool through scholarship donations, daily admissions, lap swim/water aerobics admissions, vending commissions, pavilion rentals, and concession sales.

A Fairfax Pool report will be made to Waterways and Council in January 2010.

Year	Attendance	Season Pass Sales	Scholarships	Days Open
2009	47,027	927	64	81
2008	57,151	835	66	83
2007	51,560	1052	49	92
2006	58,025	940	40	87
2005	62,151	939	49	86
2004	45,961	926	33	89

Aquatic Programs: The Recreation Division offers a variety of aquatic programs that include; learn to swim, lifeguard training/water safety instruction, water aerobics, and open/lap swim. 5038 youth and adults participated in these programs. Over 50% of those that participated were youth that enrolled in the Learn to Swim program.

<u>Adult Activities</u>: A diverse program selection is offered to the adult demographic. 294 adults enrolled in various instructional programs that promote lifelong leisure opportunities. Adult athletic leagues offer participants a more competitive program option. There were 3489 adults that played on athletic teams.

<u>Youth Activities</u>: The Recreation Division realizes the importance of promoting active lifestyles to the youth demographic. 1920 youth enrolled in various instructional programs that promote a healthy lifestyle and teach lifelong skills. Youth athletic programs provide an opportunity for both individual development and competition. There were 3735 youth that participated in the athletic programs.

<u>Special Populations:</u> The special population programs are offered to youth and adults with varying abilities and exceptionalities with the emphasis on inclusion. The largest program offered is adult Par-Te-Rec that focuses on social integration, community participation, and allows participants to experience independent skill development. There were 364 youth and adults that participated in our special population programs.

<u>Neighborhood Centers</u>: The Recreation Division recognizes the value of offering free or low cost activities for the community. Impacts on participation include, weather, transportation, location, and schedule. The 2008-09 attendance for the Outdoor Skating Rink operation was 8511. Supervision was reduced to five locations which included; three hockey rinks and five general rinks. With the cold temperatures, the skating rinks were open the entire season.

The Neighborhood Playground Program reduced the number of sites to four supervised regional locations. The impact of this change impacted the overall attendance from 9148 in 2008 to 6549 youth in 2009.

Facility Use 2009:

Parks & Recreation Community Center 0

Pavilion Rentals 860 Reservations

Neighborhood Shelters 54 Reservations (14 used by ECASD)

Football Stadium 746 Hours Utilized
Baseball Stadium 620 Hours Utilized
Hobbs/Gelein Field 780 Hours Utilized
Soccer Park 5790 Hours Utilized

<u>Discounted Ticket Sales Program 2009</u>: The Recreation Division enters into an agreement with the Wisconsin Parks and Recreation Association and Valleyfair to sell discounted attraction tickets. The Parks, Recreation, and Forestry Department receive \$.75 to \$1.50 per ticket sold.

Great America 18 Noah's Ark 216 Mt. Olympus 75 Valleyfair 397

Staff Reductions: The Park Maintenance division was reduced by one full time employee in 2007 and had 2 retirements in mid-2008. The 2008 retirements were left vacant throughout for the balance of the year. In addition, (12) 3-month seasons were not hired. This represents a loss of 12,000 man-hours in labor in the Park Maintenance division in one year. This is the equivalent to losing 5.7 full time positions. The 2008 retirements were left unfilled throughout all of 2009 also. One position was eliminated effective January 1, 2010 in Parks and one cemetery position will be placed on hold for 2010.

<u>Trash collection service reduction:</u> In response to less available staff, the Park Maintenance division made a 40% reduction in the number of trash picks up sites and trash cart location. Volunteers will be used more to clean problem areas affected by the trash collection reduction.

<u>County Farms Neighborhood Park</u>: The project includes the construction of a Pavilion, playground, parking lot, basketball court and a looped walking trail. Presently the site has been graded and seeded. The playground and pavilion have been installed. The "green" (pervious pavers) parking lot has been seeded. The lights and picnic tables will be installed in November. The basketball court and trail will be targeted for completion in 2010 and dependent on funding.

<u>Department Auction:</u> In 2009 the Parks, Recreation, and Forestry Department prepared to move administrative offices to Hobbs Ice Center and vacate the Westburne property. Through this process city owned property was auctioned. \$4,240.15 in revenue was generated from the sale of these items.

Cemeteries Division Report



CEMETERIES

The City owns and operates two public cemeteries, Forest Hill and Lakeview.

Operating Budget

	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005
Revenues	\$142,108.46	\$162,433	\$189,646	\$159,876	\$188,918
Expenses	\$359,825.67	\$394,865	\$388,814	\$377,355	\$405,722

Staff Positions

	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005
Total Full Time Staff	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0

Cemetery Service Activity

Available Lots Jan 1

	2009	2008	2007
Lakeview	3808	3869	3943
Forest Hill	2294	2308	2334

Lot Sales

	2009	2008	2007
Lakeview	36	61	74
Forest Hill	11	14	26

Available Lots Dec 31

	2009	2008	2007
Lakeview	3772	3,808	3869
Forest Hill	2283	2,294	2308

Columbaria Sales

	2009	2008	2007
Lakeview	7	9	4
Forest Hill	3	2	1

Reconveyance

	2009	2008	2007
Lakeview	3	6	3
Forest Hill	2	5	3



Grave Openings/Closings

	2009	2008	2007
Lakeview	77	43	110
Forest Hill	112	50	46

Cremains Opening/Closings

	2009	2008	2007
Lakeview	58	43	44
Forest Hill	29	39	44

Disinterment

	2009	2008	2007
Lakeview	0	0	2
Forest Hill	2	0	1

Marker Permits

	2009	2008	2007
Lakeview	81	52	62
Forest Hill	46	41	54

Chapel Storage

	2009	2008	2007
Lakeview	1	0	0
Forest Hill	0	N/A	0

Highlights

- Discontinued use of sod at Lakeview Cemetery to cover winter opened graves.
- □ Repairs to water system exceeded \$5000.00 in 2007.
- Installed a central location for water access in each cemetery, discontinued irrigation.
- Upgraded landscaping at the Lakeview Sexton's office.
- Reopened vistas of Half Moon Lake at Lakeview.
- Invasive specie control Lakeview (buckthorn removal).
- Repairs to ceramic tile roof Putnam Chapel Forest Hill.
- New backhoe with jackhammer attachment will help to reduce the labor-intensive task of opening frozen winter graves.
- Held two informational meeting with funeral directors.

Forestry Division Report



FORESTRY DIVISION

Operating Budget

	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005
Revenues					
Expenses	\$486,300	\$474,570	\$434,755	\$459,333	\$387,877

Staff Positions

	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005
Total Staff	4.5	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0

Forestry Service Activity Trees in City Inventory – Estimate

	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003
Trees	42,000	65,000	65,000	65,000	65,000	65,000	65,000



Trees Planted

	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005
Spring	84	227	211	172	181
Fall	165	126	202	186	211
Seedlings	400	330	300	1000	

Service Activity

	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005
Memorial Trees Planted	3	7	6		
Tree/Stump Removals	229	186	216		
Merry Mulch	5100	4200	4600	3750	
Dutch Elm Disease Prevention	4	16	49		
Oak Wilt Management - hours	64	86	160		
Storm Clean Up - hours	55	137	416		
Trees Inventoried	3450	958	2800	19640	1600

Boulevard Tree Rebate

	2009	2008	2007
Number	95	98	141
Dollar Value	\$5,282.33	\$5,571.59	\$7,805

Bow Hunting Permits

	2009	2008	2007	2006
Properties	10	9	11	17
Permits Taken Out	20	33	26	15
Deer Kill	5	4	11	3





Highlights

- □ Arbor Day Sponsor at six elementary schools.
- □ Earth Day Participant at Owen Park April 22nd.
- □ Tree City USA for 30 consecutive years.
- □ Emerald Ash Boher Traps we installed in 8 detection trees, all traps were negative for the Emerald Ash Borer

Parks Maintenance Division Report



PARKS MAINTENANCE DIVISION

Operating Budget

	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005
Revenue	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
Expenses	2,813,900	2,656,353	\$2,746,622	\$2,626,267	\$2,447,033

Staff Positions

	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005
Total Full Time Staff	21	24	24.75	24.75	24.75



Park Service Activity Park Acreage Maintained

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	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003
Carson: 130.0a	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Fairfax: 75.0a	40.0	40.0	40.0	40.0	40.0	40.0	40.0
Rod and Gun: 36a	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0
Phoenix Park: 5.9a	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	3.5	n/a	n/a
Mt Simon: 49.3a	25.0	25.0	25.0	25.0	25.0	25.0	25.0
Owen Park 17.8a	15.0	15.0	15.0	15.0	15.0	15.0	15.0
Riverview: 39.2a	25.0	25.0	25.0	25.0	30.0	30.0	30.0
Soccer Park: 38.2	38.2	38.2	38.2	38.2	38.2	38.2	38.2
Lakeshore: 2.8a	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8
Archery Park 6.4a	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	4.0	4.0
Cameron: 3.4a	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.4
Buffington: 11.7a	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	11.7	11.7
Demmler: 3.9a	3.9	3.9	3.9	3.9	3.9	3.9	3.9
Randall Park 2.9a	2.9	2.9	2.9	2.9	2.9	2.9	2.9
State Street Park: 1.2a	1.2	1.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Wold Court: 1.6a	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Wilson Park: 1.6a	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6
University Park: 1.3a	1.3	1.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Jaycette Park 2.0a	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0
Kessler: 1.9a	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9
Hobart 2.5a	0.0	0	n/a	n/a	2.5	2.5	2.5
North River Fronts: 1.0a	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	n/a	n/a	n/a
Grover Heights 8.9a	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9
McDonough: 10.3	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	10.3	10.3	10.3
Mitscher 2.9a	2.9	2.9	2.9	2.9	2.9	2.9	2.9
Newell:3.0a	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0
Oakwood Hills 5.4a	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
Pinehurst 58.3a	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	3.0	3.0
Boyd: 7.2a	3.5	3.5	7.2	7.2	7.2	7.2	7.2
Sundet 5.1a	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0
Putnam Heights 5.4a		0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	5.4	5.4
Zephyr Hill 5.2a	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0
Kappus 3.9a	1.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.9	3.9
Shale Pit Park: 11.3a	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Kessler Hockey Bowl 1.9a	0.0	0.0	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9
Domer: 5.0a	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Ferry Street: 32.3a	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Mt Tom Park: 20.2a	2.0	2.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
SE Park: 77.3a (includes Dog			0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Park-18.6a)	9.0	2.0	18.6	18.6	18.6	18.6	0.0
NW Park: 111.5a	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Jeffers Rd Athletic Fields: 80a	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Forest Street 13.5	13.5						
County Farm 10.4	1.5						
Other miscellaneous areas:							
127.0a			0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Total Acreage: 1035.00							
Park Acreage Maintained	361.9	338.9	359.1	359.1	369.4	384.8	366.2

Athletic Fields Lined/Marked/Prepped

	2009	2008	2007
Bollinger Fields Softball	218	239	242
Mt Simon Baseball	87	99	102
Fairfax Baseball	100	88	18
DeLong Baseball	98	137	104
Carson Softball/Baseball	241+	261+	200+
Total Athletic Fields Prepped	744+	824+	666+



Trail Usage

	2009	2008
January	1,756	
February (Began count in Feb)	3,402	362
March	6,855	5,660
April	14,569	10,045
May	15,680	13,193
June	17,276	18,139
July	20,063	16,706
August	18,756	15,628
September	19,039	
October	18,680	
September/October		*33,183
November	11,093	5,181
December	2,942	4,386

^{*}September/October combined

Recreation Trails Maintained (In Miles)

	2009	2008	2007
Chippewa River Trail	3.34	3.34	3.34
Westside Loop	1.5	1.5	1.5
Carson Park	.92	.92	.92
Barstow to Bellvue	1.5	1.5	.625
Phoenix Park	.99	.99	.49
Bellevue to Eddy Street	2.92	2.92	2.42
North Crossing	1.86	1.86	1.86
Hwy 93	1.12	1.12	1.12
Trail thru Hamilton Soccer Complex	.58	.58	.58
Hasting Place to Riverprairie	.90	.90	
Clairemont	3.12	3.12	
TOTALS	18.75	18.75	12.855

Volunteer Program

	2009 2008		2007	
Groups	45	58	18	
Volunteers	1099	2422	1423	

Special Events

	2009	2008	2007	2006
Events	69	74	60	52
Weddings	51	49	41	31





Pavilion Rentals

	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004
Brauns Bay	57	56	71	83	98	71
Birch	63	65	81	74	95	119
Oak	87	83	89	111	111	114
Pine	68	87	96	91	105	109
Rod and Gun	75	71	80	91	90	96
Mt Simon-Dells	58	64	75	66	64	85
Mt Simon-Hillside	51	50	66	59	63	56
Riverview-North	50	51	48	48	48	60
Riverview-Lions	49	43	44	50	53	75
Riverview-Island	38	34	41	35	37	57
Phoenix Park-Amphitheatre	38	32	28	24	0	
Phoenix Park Pavilion	86	85	89	37	0	
Phoenix Park Plaza	2	6	3	4	0	
Owen Park Bandshell	60	37	34	37	0	
Boyd Shelter	80	22	57	20	0	
Neighborhood Parks	54	29	38	27	0	
Total	916	815	940	857	764	842
	\$43,495	\$39,422	\$38,282	\$28,998	\$32,205	\$15,765

Carson Baseball Stadium

	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004
Games Played:						
UWEC Baseball Club Team	4	6	1	15	8	11
WIAA Sectional Trny	5	1	3	0	0	
Memorial High School	13	9	5	14	11	14
Immanuel High School	14	11	5	12	13	8
Eau Claire Bears	8	6	8	8	16	20
Regis High School	10	10	8	9	11	18
North High School	14	10	10	10	14	8
American Legion	9	10	11	18	15	28
Jr Legion Tourney	7	7	6	0	0	
Sr Legion Tourney	0	1	12	0	0	
Eau Claire Express	37	34	34	33	34	
Eau Claire Cavaliers	36	34	46	25	36	47
Babe Ruth	0	0	0	0	3	5
Total	157	139	149	144	161	159



Carson Park Football Stadium

	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004
Hours Rented						Games
UWEC	85.5	138.5	92	98	100	6
Memorial HS	123.5	82.5	125.5	144	100	5
North HS	39.5	40	71	61	117	5
Regis HS	44	26	64	79.25	78.5	5
EC Parks and Recreation	72	38	27	33	21	
Eau Claire Predators	115.5	102.5	112	95.5	128	
Eau Claire Crush	108	146	117	0	0	
Eau Claire Middle Schools	3	0	0	0	0	0
Others	141.25	143.5	35.5	22	14	
Total	746.25	727	644	532.75	558.5	21

Other Athletic Facilities

Hours Rented	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005
Bollinger Field Complex	4733	2641	2217.5		
Hobbs/Gelein Fields	780.5	816.25	1230.25		
Soccer Park	5790	3710.75	5310		

Half Moon Lake Weed Harvesting

	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005
Days Harvesting					
Lake	-0-	11	24	20	28
Loads Removed	-0-	24	65.5	39	33
Total Tons					
Harvested	-0-	60	164	98	82.5

Dog Park

	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005
Daily Pass Revenue	\$3960.12	\$3008.15	\$3,570.34	\$ 3,406.81	\$1,999.78
Dog Park Season Passes	939	623	610	532	473

Cross Country Ski Trails Maintained-Miles

	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005
Carson Park	1	1	1	1	1
Fairfax Park/Golf Course	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.7
Water Wells Area	3	3	3	3	3

Skating Rinks - Outdoor

	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004
Total Maintained Skating and						
Hockey	10	10	9	10	9	20

Recreation Division Report



RECREATION DIVISION

Operating Budget (4417-4429)

	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005
Revenues	\$528,745	\$537,864	\$ 548,202	\$ 420,677	\$ 462,774
Expenses	\$668,029	\$814,502	\$ 799,578	\$776,022	\$ 786,028
Net	(\$139,284)	(\$276,638)	(\$251,376)	(\$355,345)	(\$323,254)

Staff Positions

	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004
Total Full Time Staff	2	2.50	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00

Recreation Service Activity

Ticket Program

	2009	2008
Six Flags Great America	18	28
Mt. Olympus	75	116
Noah's Ark	216	394
Pirates Cove Mini Golf	0	22
Valleyfair	397	441
Total	706	1,001

Aquatic Classes

	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004
Water Aerobics - Adult	385	351	341	323	335	313
Learn To Swim - Adult	n/o	n/o	n/o	n/o	n/o	13
Adapted/Individual Swim - Youth	77	64	53	43	48	50
Lifeguard Training/Water Safety Inst - Youth	84	90	38	62	52	38
Learn To Swim - Youth	3007	2847	2,844	2,792	2,662	2,747
Total	3,553	3,352	3,276	3,220	3,097	3,161

	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004
Lap Swim	981	1022	1084	1234	1244	1072
Open Swim	504	1621	1602	1793	2672	2870
Total	1,485	2,643	2,686	3,027	3,916	3,942

Athletic Programs

Adult	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004
Basketball-Adult	38	54	57	47	81	102
Officials Training-Adult	7	17	21	29	48	40
Hockey - Adult	180	210	210	189	210	175
Volleyball-Open Gym-Adult	907	1008	735	1,182	1,138	888
Volleyball-Recreation League-Adult	228	255	240	308	337	312
Volleyball-Competitive Leagues - Adult	580	620	668	556	719	652
Volleyball Sand - Adult	n/o	101	66	54	121	113
Total Adults	1,940	2,265	1,997	2,365	2,654	2,282

Youth	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004
Baseball - Youth	248	221	221	243	248	269
Basketball - Youth	226	173	249	259	241	311
Flag Football Youth	190	96	48	47	n/o	n/o
Golf League-Youth	10	12	34	49	31	10
Hockey Clinic - Youth	115	145	136	96	157	126
Hockey - Youth	270	283	231	167	183	176
Running Club - Youth	41	43	42	35	37	38
Sand Lot Sports - Youth	314	299	303	74	n/o	n/o
Soccer - Youth	381	379	400	420	399	410
Total Youth	1,795	1,651	1,664	1,390	1,296	1,340



Instructional Programs

	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004
Art - Adult	n/o	n/o	n/o	n/o	9	38
Dance Adult	123	225	272	318	292	273
Golf - Adult	n/o	101	98	104	102	116
LIFE Series	83	165	123	62	24	66
Noon Trailblazers	10	n/o	n/o	n/o	n/o	n/o
Yoga	49	73	24	24	24	28
Total Adult	265	564	517	508	451	521

	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004
Adventure - Youth	97	88	58	63	62	49
Art - Youth	647	451	447	368	368	465
Baton - Youth	n/o	n/o	22	29	43	44
Cooking - Youth	64	57	37	52	43	62
Discovery Junction - Youth	41	38	68	66	96	103
Golf - Youth	84	94	97	95	80	77
Gymnastics - Youth	209	297	276	287	170	409
Hoop Dreams	110	97	64	66	49	59
Pet First Aid - Youth	n/o	n/o	n/o	n/o	30	26
Pom Pom Dance - Youth	n/o	37	37	n/o	n/o	n/o
Sailing - Youth	12	12	12	0	10	6
Sign Language - Youth	n/o	n/o	7	11	n/o	n/o
Soccer Instruction - Youth	128	112	104	92	110	70
Spinners - Youth	n/o	6	7	9	9	8
Start Smart - Youth	n/o	n/o	n/o	n/o	n/o	18
T-Ball - Youth	116	116	114	99	106	128
Tennis - Youth	412	345	287	286	264	257
Theatre - Youth	n/o	n/o	8	15	34	53
Wrestling Camp	29	n/o	n/o	n/o	n/o	n/o
Total	1,949	1,750	1,645	1,583	1,474	1,834

Community Center Building Use

	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004
Number of Meetings						
Scheduled	0	672	778	1,065	1,104	1,065
Attendance	0	20,095	23,097	39,905	39,595	35,863

Outdoor Skating Rinks

	2008-2009	2007-2008	2006-2007	2005-2006	2004-2005	2003-2004
Number of Rinks						
Supervised	10	10	9	10	9	9
Attendance	8,511	9,360	5,649	6,797	8,019	10,628



Softball Programs

	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004
Kickball - Adult	202	261	196	134	n/o	n/o
Softball Tournament - Adult	n/o	288	150	165	240	240
Softball Leagues - Adult	1347	1462	1,555	1,551	1,773	1,517
Classic Fastpitch Tournament - Teams	8	13	10	11	16	16
Fastpitch Softball Instruction-Youth	n/o	n/o	n/o	13	26	27
Fastpitch Softball League-Youth	n/o	n/o	n/o	n/o	n/o	n/o
Total	1,557	2,024	1,911	1,874	2,055	1,800

Special Education Programs

	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004
Alley Cats, Par te Rec, Camp Summertime	364	389	376	395	407	345

Tri-City Volleyball

	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004
Held every three years	Menomonie	Eau Claire	Chippewa	Menomonie	Eau Claire	Chippewa
in Eau Claire	24 Teams	24 Teams	19 Teams	24Teams	23 Teams	22 Teams



Playground Program

	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004
Number of Playground Sites	4	16	17	20	20	18
Registrants	402	740	738	822	637	725
Total Attendance	6,549	9148	10,368	11,625	13,063	12,284



Hobbs Municipal Ice Center

Operating Budget

	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005
Revenues	\$558,867	\$514,447	\$482,171	\$477,225	\$448,870
Expenses	\$566,137	\$545,895	\$524,059	\$556,105	\$479,126
Net	(\$7,270)*	(\$31, 448)	(\$41,888)	(\$78,880)	(\$30,256)

^{*} Consolidated operation savings are not applicable in 2009

Full Time Staff Positions

STAFF POSITIONS	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004
Total Staff	2.75	3.25	3.25	3.25	3.25	3.0



Hobbs Service Activity Hours Rented

	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004
O Brien Rink	1782	2,139	2,191	2,120	1,882	2,082
Akervick Rink	1297	1,436	1,342	1,418	1,458	1,782
Hughes	120	108	28	16	85	88
Total Hours Utilized	3199	3,683	3,561	3,554	3,425	3,952

Hobbs Open Skate Attendance

	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004
Total Paid Attendance	3133	4,641	5,182	5,444	3,417	3,977

Fairfax Pool

Operating Budget

	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004
Revenues	\$224,284	\$257,910	\$232,125	\$230,835	\$231,366	\$188,948
Expenses	\$286,220	\$333,907	\$307,983	\$286,373	\$273,650	\$248,564
Net	(\$61,936)	(\$75,997)	(\$75,858)	(\$55,537)	(42,284)	(\$59,616)

Staff Positions

	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004
Total Staff-Part Time	80	80	80	80	80	80
Total Staff Full-Time	.25	.25	.25	.25	.25	.25

Pool Activity

	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004
Attendance	47,027	57151	51,560	58,025	62,151	45,961
Season Pass Sales	882	835	1052	940	939	926
Scholarships	64	66	49	40	49	33
Days Open	81	83	92	87	86	89

Division Revenue Summary

	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004
Recreation	\$528,745	\$537,864	\$548,202	\$420,667	\$462,774	\$470,489
Fairfax Pool	\$224,284	\$257,910	\$232,125	\$230,835	\$231,366	\$188,948
Hobbs Ice Center	\$558,867	\$514,447	\$471,496	\$476,240	\$447,894	\$403,072
Total	\$1,311,896	\$1,310,221	\$1,251,823	\$1,127,742	\$1,142,034	\$1,062,509

